## **Sample** Community Values Survey

We in Annapolis value		Implications regarding budget	
1.	A safe community	1.	Maintain quality police, fire and paramedic services
2.	Our people, spirit, city unity, and small town atmosphere	2.	Support groups who contribute to "community"  a. Work with sports and youth groups to maintain programs  b. Work with schools and other groups to maintain parent involvement  c. Work with service groups to maintain special events and celebrations  d. Utilize downtown, Stanton Community Center, and other neighborhood centers as focal points  e. Spotlight groups and individuals who contribute
3.	Good schools	3.	Support educational improvement programs
4.	Our sense of community a. Community services (family and youth recreations, senior services, cultural arts) b. Outreach and participation c. Communication from the City	4.	Maintain Community Service programs and other involvement programs and city communication efforts
5.	Basic city services (maintenance services, water, refuse)	5.	Maintain focus on basic services
6.	City Amenities  a. Community facilities  b. Ample shopping/good businesses and services  c. Aesthetics	6.	Maintain operation of community facilities     a. Promote new economic development as well as business retention     b. Continue insistence on quality development standards and community maintenance as well as anti-graffiti efforts
Our	concerns and dreams regarding Annapolis' future	lmp	lications regarding budget
1.	Public safety/violence control	1.	Maintain strong police and fire programs
2.	Retain strong business base	2.	Attract and retain business
3.	Maintain effective city government     a. Move forward with city projects     b. Balance budget     c. Control over-spending     d. Avoid competition among groups for same funds	3.	Develop long-term fiscal plan; involve community and develop consensus
4.	Affordable housing	4.	Continue to aggressively promote affordable housing
5.	Balanced growth/open space	5.	Maintain strong city planning function; educate regarding choices and trade-offs
	Sample budget-saving idea	s fro	m community members
1.	Prioritize! Don't try to do it all.	6.	Reduce street sweeping in residential areas
2.	Keep programs accessible and affordable	7.	Charge higher fees (e.g., charge more for street parking, charge higher direct user fees for service)
3.	Share resources and cooperate with Anne Arundel County in providing services	8.	
4.	Seek volunteers and use non-profit organizations	9.	
5.	Merge groups/commissions to save money and time	10.	